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XA-9517 PATENT APPLICATION

THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

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Group Art Unit: 3679

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For: ELASTIC SHAFT COUPLING AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING

COUPLING ELEMENT

PETITION FOR ADDITIONAL EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 RECEIVED

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It is respectfully requested that the time now set for response be extended, retroactively, by an additional one month (to a total of three months). The required petition fee for the third month for a large entity is submitted herewith. The fee for the second month was paid on November 10, 2003. This Petition accompanies a Notice of Appeal.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 50-1165.

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Respectfully submitted,

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